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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Thomas L. McLaughlin et al.  
Title: TOPCOATED ADHESIVE  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, it is requested that the following amendments be made.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please add the following paragraph before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 2.

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~~This application is a division of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/341,464, filed November 17, 1994, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/265,691, filed June 24, 1996, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. application Serial No. 07/881,682, filed May 12, 1992.~~

*Patent 6,305,793*  
*now abandoned*  
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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 24, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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In respect of the manufacture of diaper fastener-tab stock with "built-in" end tabs, the invention provides a